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SUBJ: JOINT AND CONTINUOUS REVIEW STATUS OF OKINAWA

1. I MET WITH FONMIN MIKI FOR OVER TWO HOURS AFTERNOON MAY 27 AT HIS REQUEST FOR MUCH PUBLICIZED QTE JOINT AND CONTINUOUS REVIEW STATUS OF OKINAWA UNQTE AS CALLED FOR IN JOHNSON/SATO COMMUNIQUE OF NOVEMBER 15, 1967. MIKI OPENED MEETING WITH RUNDOWN OF WHAT HE WOULD LIKE TO TELL PRESS AFTER MEETING. I URGED CERTAIN CHANGES TO AVOID IMPLICATION. I AGREED TIMETABLE SHOULD BE SET WITHIN NEXT QTE FEW YEARS UNQTE FOR REVERSION AND ALSO TO ELIMINATE IMPLICATIONS OF CONFRONTATION WITH U.S. OVER BASES IN OKINAWA. MIKI AGREED TO TAKE CARE OF MY CONCERNS ALTHOUGH LESS THAN FORTHCOMING RE REDRAFTING CONFRONTATION POINT.

2. I THEN GAVE RUNDOWN ON IMPORTANCE OF BASES ON OKINAWA FOR SECURITY OF JAPAN AND AREA, EMPHASIZING NECESSITY FOR GRADUATED DETERRANCE AND POINTING OUT DIFFERENCE BETWEEN STRATEGIC AND TACTICAL WEAPONS. I EMPHASIZED THAT ANY DIMINUTION OF OUR FLEXIBILITY IN UTILIZATION OF BASES WOULD DETRACT FROM THE CREDIBILITY OF OUR RESPONSE TO AGGRESSION IN THE AREA AND THAT JAPAN SHOULD BE CONCERNED NORTH KOREA, NORTH VIETNAM, CHINA, AND EVEN SOVIET UNION MIGHT MISINTREPRET ANY RESTRICTIONS ON OKINAWA BASES.

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Intelligence Note -64

January 24, 1968

To : The Secretary
Through: S/S
From : INR - Thomas L. Hughes TLH

Subject: Japan and Nuclear Defense

The Japanese are being forced to come to grips with the problem of nuclear defense. For many years they have lived and prospered under the United States umbrella, without nuclear weapons on their soil and without having to discard their so-called "nuclear allergy." Now, however, with 1) a decision to be made as to US base rights on Okinawa, 2) ABM's, NPSS's and the NPT being widely discussed, 3) the Chinese Communist nuclear missile threat fast becoming a reality, and 4) the broad question of Japan's future world role opening up, the Japanese are being pushed into making adjustments in their approach to the problem. The United States will have an important direct and indirect influence on Japanese defense decisions in the nuclear field.

Def 1 Japan

Aversion to Nuclear Weapons Remains. Though the Japanese press has come increasingly to write openly and knowledgeably about nuclear weapons, the majority of the Japanese public still opposes Japanese acquisition of nuclear arms. (In a December 1967 poll 60% opposed and 14% favored Japan's having nuclear arms.) No responsible Japanese leader is prepared openly to advocate a change in government policy on this issue; there are reports that a few top conservatives believe Japan may have to or even should eventually acquire them, but there is no desire for these arms now. (Conservative leaders would like to reduce the "nuclear allergy," however, in case it becomes

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1. FONOFF (TOGO) CALLED DCM TO MINISTRY THIS AFTERNOON TO EXPRESS GOJ CONCERN ABOUT OKINAWAN OPPOSITION TO B-52S AT KADENA ACD TO REQUEST US TO TAKE DUE ACCOUNT OF SUCH FEELING. SAID MINISTRY ANTICIPATED DIET QUESTIONS REGARDING: A) WHETHER B-52S CARRYING NUCLEAR WEAPONS; B) WHETHER MOVEMENT REPRESENTED US INTENT ESTABLISH STRATEGIC AIRBASE OKINAWA; AND C) WHETHER B-52S WOULD

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TAKE PART IN VIETNAM COMBAT OPERATIONS.

2. TOGO SAID FONMIN WOULD PLAN RESPOND TO POINT A) BY CITING RECENT AUTHORITATIVE STATEMENTS FROM WASHINGTON TO EFFECT US HAD NO INTENTION USE NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN VIETNAM OR IN PUEBLO CRISIS. RE SECOND POINT, FONMIN WOULD SAY THAT US SIDE (DESPITE LACK OF OBLIGATION TO DO SO UNDER TREATY) WOULD PROBABLY ADVISE GOJ OF INTENTION TO ESTABLISH SUCH BASE IF INTENT EXISTED; NO

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1. Following is text AP report from Tokyo February 12:

BEGIN TEXT The Japanese Foreign Ministry has asked the U.S. Government to give due consideration to Okinawan "apprehensions" at the stationing of B52 bombers at bases on Okinawa.

The request was made verbally by Fumihiko Togo, Director of the Foreign Ministry's North American Affairs bureau, to David L. Osborn, Minister of the American Embassy.

Sources said Togo also told Osborn that movement of the big bombers to Okinawa was understandably dictated by the tense situation in Korea, but he added that the movement "has in fact created a feeling of apprehension among Okinawans and this would not be desirable for the United States."

Reports from Naha last week said 12 of the strategic B52 bombers landed at a base in Okinawa. The reports said Okinawans feared the B52's were loaded with nuclear weapons. END TEXT

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2. When queried re this report at today's noon briefing, Department Spokesman declined comment.

3. Obviously leaks of this sort from foreign office, particularly distorted AP version, not helpful to us.

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SUBJ: B-52S IN OKINAWA

1. TOGO (DIRECTOR, FONOFF NORTH AMERICAN BUREAU) CALLED DCM OVER ON FEB 21 TO REQUEST INFO ABOUT B-52S FOR FONMIN'S USE IN ANSWERING OPPOSITION INTERPELLATIONS IN DIET SESSION WHICH HE EXPECTED TO RESUME FEB 23. TOGO'S QUESTIONS SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THOSE REPORTED REFTEL.

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2. TOGO'S QUESTIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS: (DCM'S ANSWERS, CONVEYED TO TOGO AFTER CONSULTATION WITH AMBASSADOR, ARE GIVEN IN PARENTHESES):

(2) A. WASHINGTON HAS MADE CLEAR THAT US HAD NO INTENTION TO USE ATOMIC WEAPONS IN VIETNAM OR KOREA: ACCORDINGLY WE PRESUME THAT B-52S DO NOT CARRY ATOMIC WEAPONS. IS THAT UNDERSTANDING CORRECT? (WE NEVER PUBLICLY DISCUSS QUESTIONS INVOLVING THE LOCATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS).

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SUBJ: B-52 "STUDY MISSION"

1. NINE OKINAWANS CONSTITUTING QTE DIRECT APPEAL DELEGATION UNQTE HEADED BY OKINAWA COUNCIL AGAINST ATOMIC AND HYDROGEN BOMBS CHAIRMAN RYOSHIN NAKAYOSHI HAVE BEEN IN TOKYO THIS WEEK MAKING ROUNDS OF MINISTRIES AND POLITICAL PARTIES WITH PLEA

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FOR JAPANESE ACTION RE OKINAWA B-52'S AND KADENA WELL POLLUTION ISSUES. THEY HAD MET SAME RATHER COOL GOJ/LDP REACTION GIVEN GRI LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION UNTIL SESSION WITH PRIMIN SATO MARCH 7. SATO APPARENTLY HELD PRETTY MUCH TO EXISTING GOJ LINE (STATIONING NOT PERMANENT; ONLY IF THERE WAS REASON BELIEVE B-52'S IN OKINAWA PERMANENTLY WOULD GOJ CONSIDER RENEWED APPROACHES TO US). HOWEVER, IN RESPONSE QUERY FROM DELEGATION SATO DID SAY HE WOULD CONSIDER DISPATCH OF QTE STUDY MISSION UNQTE RE B-52 PROBLEM. MORNING PRESS MARCH 8, BASING STORIES ONDELEGATION'S VERSIONS OF INTERVIEW, REPORTED VARIOUSLY THAT PRIMIN HAD QTE PROMISED UNQTE DISPATCH OF MISSION, THAT STUDY WOULD BE UNDERTAKEN BY GOJ QTE ITTAIKA

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SUBJ: ASAHI ARTICLE RE USG POSITION ON OKINAWA BASES

1. ASAHI GAVE TOP LEAD IN MORNING EDITIONS APRIL 30 TO STORY CITING "INFLUENTIAL GOJ SOURCE" WHICH CLAIMS PAY OUT USG POSITION RE TREATMENT OKINAWA BASE AFTER REVERSION. FULL TEXT EMBASSY TRANSLATION BEING SENT USINFO CHANNEL.

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2. ARTICLE DESCRIBES US REQUIREMENTS RE FLEXIBILITY NEEDED FULFILL CREDIBLY ITS DEFENSE COMMITMENTS TO JAPAN AND OTHERIFREEE WORLD NATIONS IN FAR EAST AND CONCLUDES US WILL INSIST UPON HAVING CLEAR RIGHT BRING NUKES INTO OKINAWA AFTER REVERSION WHEN THEY ARE CONSIDERED NECESSARY EITHER FOR JAPANESE OR OTHER ALLIED NATIONS' SECURITY. ARTICLE UAQS GOJ HAS NOT BIT BULLET IN TERMS MAKING UP HIS MIND ABOUT THIS MANIFEST US REQUIREMENT AND THAT SUBSTANTIVE RESULTS RE REVERSION CANNOT THEREFORE VE EXPECTED FLOW FROM

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CINCPAC AND HICOMRY FOR POLADS

SUBJ: LDP HINTS AT "MAINLAND STATUS" FOR OKINAWA BASES

1. ASAHI JUNE 12 REPORTED BRIEFLY THAT LDP NATIONAL SECURITY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN FUNADA AT PARTY EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING PREVIOUS DAY EXPRESSED DESIRE TO ISSUE "CHAIRMAN'S PRIVATE VIEW" ADVOCATING "MAINLAND STATUS" (HONDO NAMI) FOR OKINAWA BASES UPON REVERSION. ASAHI SAID VIEWS WITHIN COUNCIL DIVIDED, NO CHANGE MADE IN "EARLY REVERSION" (WITHOUT SPECIFYING STATUS OF BASES) POSITION TAKEN IN PREVIOUS PARTY RESOLUTION, BUT COUNCIL CHAIRMAN TOMISABURO HASHIMOTO COMMENTED THAT CANDIDATES IN UPPER HOUSE ELECTION COULD "APPROPRIATELY EXPAND ON" THIS POSITION IN SPEECHES.

2. FUNADA JUNE 12 TOLD EMBOFF HE IN FACT HAD ADVOCATED LINE REPORTED BY ASAHI, WHICH HE BELIEVED ESSENTIAL TO LDP IMZPIUW SBGOUSE ELECTIONS AND TO OLDP IN SUBSEQUENT ELECTIONS IN RYUKYUS. HE STRESSED THAT HE ACTUALLY CALLED FOR "MAINLAND STATUS AS OBJECTIVE" AND MADE IT CLEAR THAT INFORMAL EXPRESSION OF LDP VIEWS WHICH HE ADVOCATED WOULD NOT BE INTENDED IN ANY WAYTO TIE HANDS OF FONOFF WHEN IT CAME TO NEGOTIATIONS WITH US CONCERNING REVERSION. HE SAID HOWEVER HE FIRMLY CONVINCED THAT LDP MUST AVOID ANY APPEARANCE OF "DISCRIMINATING AGAINST" RESIDENTS OF OKINAWA AS

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COMPARED WITH REST OF JAPAN IN CONNECTION WITH STATUS OF BASES.

3. WE ACCEPT FUNADA'S STATEMENT THAT HIS SUGGESTION MOTIVATED BY ELECTION CAMPAIGN CONSIDERATIONS. HOWEVER, IT IS SIGNIFICANT INDICTION OF PRESSURES OF JAPANESE PUBLIC OPINION ON NUCLEAR BASES THAT RESPONSIBLE AND DEFENSE-ORIENTED LDP MEMBER LIKE FUNADA CONSIDERED IT NECESSARY TO TAKE THIS POSITION. ALTHOUGH SUGGESTION DID NOT GET OFF GROUND EVEN IN INFORMAL "PRIVATE VIEW" FORM, WE ARE LIKELY TO HEAR A GOOD DEAL ALONG THIS LINE FROM LDP CANDIDATES. "MAINLAND STATUS AS OBJECTIVE" COULD WELL BE REVERSE SIDE OF "TEMPORARY NUCLEAR CONCEPT" (EMBTEL 8391). WITH EVERY CONCESSION OF THIS SORT TO JAPANESE PUBLIC OPINION, PRIME MINISTER SATO WILL FIND HIMSELF A STEP FURTHER AWAY FROM HIS "BLANK SHEET OF PAPER" POSITION CONCERNING STATUS OF OKINAWA BASES.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WALT W. ROSTOW
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Letter to the President from
Seiro Miyagi

The enclosed letter to the President from Chairman Seiro Miyagi of the Municipal Assembly of Kadena-Son, Okinawa, was forwarded to the Department by Mr. Bromley Smith on December 5.

Upon translation and review, the Department believes that, since the letter deals with B-52 strategic bombers in Okinawa, it should be transmitted to the Department of Defense for their recommendation regarding a reply.

Warren W. Brandt for
Benjamin H. Read
Executive Secretary

Enclosure:

Letter from Seiro Miyagi

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EA - Mr. Porter

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Would EA agree to a Read/Rostow along the attached lines? A statement to the effect that from our point of view no reply is recommended would be more palatable.

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William S. Shepard
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Kadena Assembly No. 203
November 27, 1968

His Excellency Lyndon B. Johnson

President of the United States

Subject: Pertaining to the sending of a resolution demanding the immediate removal of military bases and protesting the incident in which a B-52 (nuclear) strategic bomber crashed and exploded.

At the 8th special meeting held on November 19, the assembly of this village unanimously adopted the attached resolution with reference to the unexpected crash and explosion of a B-52.

In order to remove the fear and anxiety of war and to protect the lives and property of the citizens of Okinawa, including the people of this village, the attached resolution is sent and a strong demand is made that B-52's and all military bases be removed immediately.

Seiro Miyagi [seal]

Chairman of the Assembly

Kadena-Son, Okinawa

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RESOLUTION DEMANDING THE IMMEDIATE REMOVAL OF MILITARY BASES AND PROTESTING THE INCIDENT IN WHICH A B-52 (nuclear) STRATEGIC BOMBER CRASHED AND EXPLODED.

At approximately 4:15 AM on November 19th a B-52 crashed and exploded to the east of Kadena-Son.

Because of this incident a great deal of damage was inflicted on schools and private homes. The occurrence of this great explosion suddenly awakened the people of this village, causing them to shudder with fear for the rest of the night thinking that war had broken out.

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In this connection, on December 20, 1962 and on May 19, 1966 U.S. planes crashed within the village and our precious villagers became the victims. We have protested the frequent damage caused by the bases, in order to protect the lives and [insure] the safety of the villagers and have made strong demands each time in order to make sure that such incidents would not recur. In particular, in spite of the fact that since February 5th we have demanded the immediate removal of B-52 (nuclear) strategic bombers which are permanently stationed here, the U.S. Army, in order to carry on its unfair aggressive war in Vietnam, has ignored the demands of the people and now this explosion has occurred. When we, the people of Kadena-Son, see B-52's and KC-135's stationed near us and ammunition warehouses being established and realize that the B-52 is loaded with atom and hydrogen bombs it certainly makes us quiver with horror. What would happen if a B-52 crashed into an ammunition warehouse? If it were a B-52 carrying atom and hydrogen bombs, the number of Okinawans who would become victims is beyond our imagination. Because of this explosion we have come to realize that, so long as these military bases exist, we have no guarantee at all that such incidents will not recur.

Therefore, in order to insure the lives of and peace for our villagers, in addition to making an extremely strong protest to the military authorities who originated this explosion, we strongly demand that the B-52's, which are the cause of man's unhappiness, and all military bases be removed immediately.

SO RESOLVED

November 19, 1968

Eighth meeting of Kadena-Son Assembly [seal]

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To:

President of the United States

United States Secretary of Defense

Speaker of the Senate

Speaker of the House

High Commissioner, Ryukyus.

Commanding Officer, 313th Air Division

Commanding Officer, Kadena Air Base

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Prime Minister

Speaker of the Lower House

Speaker of the Upper House

Chief Executive

Speaker, GRI Legislature

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TRANSLATOR'S SUMMARY OF COMMUNICATION

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Language: Japanese

Date of Communication: November 27, 1968

Addressed to: The President

Name and address of writer: Chairman Seiro Yiyagi
Municipal Assembly
Kadena-Son, Okinawa

Substance of writer's statement:

In his covering letter the Chairman states that on November 19, 1968 an emergency session of the municipal assembly was held and a resolution was unanimously adopted, a copy of which he encloses.

In the resolution it is stated that a B52 strategic bomber crashed at 4:15 AM, November 19, 1968 to the east of Kadena-Son. Mention is made of the crash of a U.S. plane on December 20, 1962 and the damage done on both occasions.

Because of this it is strongly demanded that B52 bombers be removed from all the bases.

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嘉議第２０３号
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アメリカ合衆国 大統領
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沖縄 嘉手納村議会議長 宮城 清 嘉手納村議会議長印

B 52 核戦略爆撃機の墜落爆発事件に対する
抗議と軍事基地の即時撤去を要求する決議書
の送付について

当村議会は、11月19日の第8回臨時議会において、同日未明嘉手納村東側において、突如として発生したB 52の墜落爆発事件に対して、万場一致をもって別紙のとおり決議いたしました。

村民を含め沖縄県民の生命と財産を守り、戦争への不安と恐怖を除去していただくために、B 52と一切の軍事基地を即時撤去して下さるよう、別紙決議書を送付して強く要請いたします。

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B52核戦略爆撃機の墜落爆発事件に対する
抗議と軍事基地の即時撤去を要求する決議

11月19日午前4時15分頃嘉手納村東側にB52が墜落し，大爆発事件を惹起した。

該事件によって小学校を始め民家に多大な損害を蒙った。就寝中の村民は突如として起った一大音響に戦争が起ったのかと恐怖と戦慄の一夜を過した。

このことについて1962年12月20日と1966年5月19日に村内に米軍機が墜落し，尊い村民がその犠牲にふった。また度が重ふる基地被害について，われわれは村民の生命と安全を守るためにその都度厳重に抗議し，かかる事件の再発防止に万全を期するよう強く要求してきた。時に去る2月5日以来常駐しているB52核戦略爆撃機について即時撤去を要求してきたにもかかわらず米軍は不当ホベトナム侵略戦争を遂行するために県民の要求を拒否し，このたびの爆発事件とふった。ことにわれわれ嘉手納村民に目前にB52やKC135が駐留していることと弾薬倉庫が設置されている事実とB52が原水爆搭載機であることに思いあいをすとき誠に身の毛もよだつ思いがする。若しB52が弾薬倉庫に墜落したら？，若しB52が原水爆を積んでいたら沖縄県民の犠牲は想像を絶するものがあったであろう。このたびの爆発事件によって軍事基地が存在する限りこのようふ事件が再び起らふいとい

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保障は何一つ ホハ事を知った。

よって、われわれは村民の生命と平和を守るために、このたびの爆発事件を起した米軍当局に対し腹の底から怒りを込めて厳重に抗議すると共に人間の不幸の根源であるB52と一切の軍事基地を即時撤去するよう強く要求する。

右決議する。

1968年11月19日

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TO EA - Mr. Porter

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PAGE 2 RUALOT 6102D C O N F I D E N T I A L
SUBJ: OKINAWA ISSUE

1. AFTER FAIRLY LENGTHY PERIOD IN WHICH OKINAWA ISSUE HAS SIMMERED ALONG IN MEDIA IN TERMS COVERAGE FAIRLY ESOTERIC DIET EXCHANGES OR IN TERMS B-52 ISSUE, NEW TINDER WAS ADDED FROM SEVERAL DIRECTIONS IN PAST 24 HOURS. FIRST NEW ELEMENT WAS REISCHAUER TESTIMONY BEFORE ZABLOCKI SOBCOMMITTEE, WHICH HIT EVENING EDITIONS MARCH 1. (REISCHAUER'S SEPARATE MEETING WITH JAPANESE CORRESPONDENTS IN WHICH HE QUALIFIED TESTIMONY AS PERSONAL, AND STATED USG VIEWS KNOWN TO BE QUITE DIFFERENT WAS CARRIED BY MOST PAPERS) MOST PAPERS SELECTED FOR HEADLINES FORMER AMBASSADOR'S EMPHASIS ON 1969 AS DATE FOR QTE SETTLEMENT UNQTE OF ISSUE AND HIS QUALIFIED ADVOCACY OF DENUCLEARIZA-

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TION OF RYUKYUS. CHIEF CABINET SECRETARY KIMURA WAS QUOTED AS HAVING CHARACTERIZED TESTIMONY AS NATURAL AND EXPECTED AND HAVING SAID THAT REISCHAUER HAD QTE FORWARD LOOKING UNQTE ATTITUDE WHILE AMBASSADOR. KIMURA REPORTEDLY ALSO COMMENDED STATEMENT AS WELL BALANCED PRESENTATION OF PLUSES AND MINUSES ON BOTH POLITICAL AND MILITARY SIDES OF OKINAWA ISSUE. PRESS REACTION HAS BEEN CONFINED THUS FAR TO CARTOON COMMENT WHICH REFLECTS JAPANESE WELCOME FOR SUBSTANCE OF REISCHAUERS COMMENTS BUT

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SKEPTICISM ABOUT USG WILLINGNESS TO ACCEPT HIS POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS.

2. ASAHI'S MORNING EDITION MARCH 2 ZEROED IN ON HAHA ADCOM MEETING OF PREVIOUS DAY WITH LEAD HEADLINE QTE DIVERGENCIES IN US-JAPANESE POSTURE TOWARD NEW COMMITTEE UNQTE. (OTHER PAPERS FOR MOST PART GAVE STRAIGHT FACTUAL REPORTS ON ADCOM PROMINANT PLAY.) ASAHI MADE LENGTHLY ANALYSIS HICOM'S CHARGE TO NEW COMMITTEE AND ITS ALLEGEDLY RESTRICTIVE TONE WHEN COMPARED WITH EXCHANGE OF NOTES ON TERMS OF REFERNCE AND PARTICULARLY WHEN COMPARED WITH GOJ POSITION THAT QTE AND RELATED MATTERS UNQTE MAY SOMDAY BE EXPANDED PERMIT ADCOM LEEWAY DISCUSS QTE POLITICAL UNQTE MATTERS. IN COMMENTARY WHICH ASAHI RAN ALONGSIDE ARTICLE, PAPER QUOTED GAIMUSHO SOURCES AS SAYING DIFFERENCES OF OPINION BETWEEN TWO GOVTS ABOUT ROLE OF COMMITTEE QTE NATURAL UNQTE AND AMERICAN AUTHORITIES IN NAHA QTE NERVOUS UNQTE SINCE SATO-JOHNSON COMMUNIQUE IN VIEW OF ACT MOST IMPORTANT ISSUES ARE TO BE DISCUSSED BETWEEN TWO GOVTS IN TOKYO.

3. YOMIURI TOOK OFF ON YET ANOTHER TACK IN ITS MORNING EDITION MARCH 2, WITH MAJOR LEAD SPECULATING ABOUT GOJ THINKING RE

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TIMING OF NEXT PRIMIN-PRESIDENT MEETING ON OKINAWA ISSUE AND ROLE OF OHAMA COMMITTEE'S QTE BASES SUBCOMMITTEE UNQTE (CHAIRED BY MILITARY COMMENTATOR TADAO KUSUMI) IN PROCESS OF DEVELOPING SCHEDULE FOR GOJ POLICY-MAKING. ARTICLE SAID THAT WHILE DIFFICULT TIMING PROBLEMS INVOLVED, GOJ HAS INFORMAL INDICATIONS FROM

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WASHINGTON THAR SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS RE OKINAWA MIGHT BE POSSIBLE IF SATO GOES TO US INAUGURAL CEREMONY IN JAN 1969. KUSUMI SUBCOMMITTEE THEREFORE PLANNING RELEASE ITS REPORT IN OCTOBER AND HGH TIDE OF PUBLIC DEBATE ON ISSUE WOULD BE EXPECTED IN OCTOBER-DECEMBER PERIOD OF THIS YEAR.

4. JAPANESE NOW WELL AWARE FACT PERSONAL STATEMENTS BY AMERICAN PERSONALITIES, NO MATTER HOW WELL THEY ARE APPARENTLY CONNECTED WITH US ESTABLISHMENT NOT NECESSARILY REFLECTED IN USG POLICY. NEVERTHELESS, REISCHAUER COMMENTS ON TIMING WILL ASSIST IN IMPRINTING IDEA THAT 1969 IS YEAR OF DECISION ON OKINAWA EVEN MORE FIRMLY IN JAPANESE CONSCIOUSNESS. EMBOFFS HAD LUNCH LAST WEEK WITH SHIEN YOSHIDA (EMBASSY'S CONTACT ON OHAMA COMMITTEE MATTERS) WHO TALKED VERY MUCH LIKE YOMIURI ARTICLE. HE DID NOT CLAIM THAT OCTOVER REPORT, THREE MONTH

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PERIOD OF AGITATION AND JANUARY VISIT TO WASHINGTON HAVE SATO'S BLESSING, BUT DID SAY IT IS HIS IMPRESSION SATO, FUKUDA, KIMURA, AND OHAMA ALL THINKING HARD ABOUT POSSIBILITIES OF THIS SCHEDULE. YOSHIDA INDICATED KUSUMI REPORT WOULD BE EFFORT ALIGN JAPANESE CONSERVATIVES ON POSITION THAT REVERSION OF OKINAWA SHOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED BY TELLING AMERICANS NUKES MUST GO BUT LATTITUDE OF FREE USE OF BASES NEGOTIABLE.

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SUBJECT: OHAMA COMMITTEE VISIT TO OKINAWA

1. IN AMPLIFICATION PARA 3 REFTEL, KUSUMI SAID HE WAS LOOKING HARD FOR SOMETHING POSITIVE TO MAKE OUT OF TRIP IN SENSE OF SOME SORT OF U.S.-SANCTIONED STATEMENT WHICH WOULD HAVE EFFECT OF CALMING PUBLIC APPREHENSION ABOUT B-52'S. SAID HE HAD

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NO INTENTION RAISING OR REFERRING IN ANY CONTROVERSIAL WAY TO SUCH THINGS AS MISSIONS, ARMAMENTS, PURPOSE AND SDURATION OF BASING IN OKINAWA, ETC., BUT WONDERED WHETHER NUCLEAR WEAPONS ASPECT MIGHT NOT OFFER ONE POSSIBLE APPROACH. SPECIFICALLY, KUSUMI SAID HE HAD NOTED RECENT PRESS REPORTS STATING U.S. HAD DECIDED SUSPEND H-BOMB ALERT FLIGHTS AFTER GREENLAND CRASH. HE THOUGHT THAT IF GENERAL UNGER OR OTHER HICOM REP COULD INDICATE TO OHAMA GROUP THAT THIS SUSPENSION ALSO APPLIES TO OKINAWA-BASED B-52'S, THIS WOULD BE HELPFUL, TAKEN IN CONJUNCTION WITH RECENT HIGH-LEVEL U.S. STATEMENTS DENYING ANY DECISION HAS BEEN MADE USE NUKES IN VIETNAM. KUSUMI SAID HE IS SELL-AWARE NUCLEAR ASPECT IS NOT ONLY THING ABOUT B-52'S WHICH CONCERNS PEOPLE, BUT THAT THIS WOULD

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SUBJECT: OHAMA MISSION TO OKINAWA MARCH 28-31

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1. I HAD LONG SESSION WITH KUSUMI AND KOTANI THIS AFTERNOON

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ON B-52'S AND NUCLEAR WEAPONS QUESTION. IN COURSE OF DISCUSS-
ION I QUESTIONED WHETHER SEEKING TO ALLAY NUCLEAR WEAPONS CON
CERN BY STATING OR INTIMATING THAT B-52'S WERE ENGAGED IN
ACTUAL CONVENTIONAL OPERATIONS IN VIETNAM WOULD IN FACT BE
USEFUL, SINCE OPPOSITION WOULD THEN ONLY SHIFT SIGHTS TO
VIETNAM CONNECTION. THEY NEVERTHELESS FELT IT WOULD BE USEFUL
IN JAPAN. I ALSO EMPHASIZED FACT THAT TENSION IN KOREA IS BY
NO MEANS OVER, AND THAT POSSIBLE ROLE B-52'S VIS-A-VIS KOREA
SHOULD NOT BE FORGOTTEN IN ALL RECENT TALK ABOUT KHE SANH OR
POSSIBLE CARRIAGE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. I POINTED OUT "DETERR-
ENT" ROLE VIS-A-VIS KOREA NEED NOT NECESSARILY BE NUCLEAR.
FINALLY I MADE COMPLETELY CLEAR TO THEM THAT NEITHER HERE NOR
IN OKINAWA COULD THEY EXPECT AND AMERICAN OFFICIAL TO MAKE

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CANDIDATE CHOBYO YARA ON 13 MAY TO SOUND OUT LATTER'S
VIEWS ON MAJOR POLICY QUESTIONS. AT MEETING, YARA
STRESSED HIS POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE AND DESCRIBED
FUKKIKYO LINE (WHICH HE CLAIMS HE MAY ADOPT IN CAMPAIGN
AS PLATFORM) AS "REQUESTS REPRESENTING WILL OF PEOPLE
RATHER THAN IMPLEMENTAL POLICY." IN REPLY TO HICOM
QUESTION, YARA CLAIMED THAT INTERESTS OF RYUKYUANS CLOSELY
TIED TO BASES AND THAT FUKKIKYO POLICY RE BASES HAS BEEN

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"FLEXIBLE FOR PAST FEW YEARS." YARA WAS MILDLY CRITICAL
OF ADCOM BUT APPEARED ILL-INFORMED AS TO SCOPE OF
COMMITTEE'S ACTIVITIES, CLAIMING THAT PEOPLE ARE
CONCERNED BECAUSE THEY BELIEVE ADCOM MAY BE DEVICE TO
ACHIEVE REVERSION WITH ATOMIC BASES. YARA EXPRESSED
BELIEF THAT JAPAN RESPONSIBLE FOR GUARANTEEING LIVELIHOOD
OKINAWANS AND CALLED FOR JAPAN TO DEVELOP COMPREHENSIVE
BLUEPRINTS FOR OKINAWAN ECONOMY UNDER VARYING CIRCUMSTANCES
(WITH BASES, WITH REDUCED BASES, WITHOUT BASES, ETC.).
YARA ALSO STATED THAT JAPAN SHOULD TREAT OKINAWA SAME AS
OTHER PREFECTURES AND OBJECTED TO CALLING JAPANESE

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At the present time the Okinawa issue appears certain to come in for extensive political debate in Japan, in connection with the impending House of Councillors election and the longer-term efforts of the leftist political parties to attract popular support for their campaigns against the US-Japan security relationship in general. At this juncture it appears useful to summarize the present positions of the political parties on the question of the status of US bases in Okinawa should reversion be effected.

In summary, the JSP and JCP continue to regard the elimination of US bases in Okinawa as an end in itself, almost if not fully equal in importance to reversion. The moderate opposition parties, DSP and Komeito, have adopted middle-of-the-road positions (as they view the road) which they believe reflect, and will appeal strongly to, Japanese public opinion. Both call for elimination of nuclear defense capabilities and options from Okinawa but would permit retention of other facilities at least for an interim period. The LDP, in the face of the political imperative of urging early reversion, the popular "allergy" to nuclear weapons, and the importance of the Okinawa bases to Japan's defense, has thus far avoided taking a party position distinct from that of the GOJ. None of the parties appears likely to shift its public posture, in the near future, in a direction more favorable to US retention of present base rights in the Ryukyus.

The JSP 1968 action policy, adopted at the annual convention in January, calls for immediate, unconditional and complete reversion of Okinawa to Japan on the basis that Article III of the Peace Treaty is invalid and that the Japanese Constitution and Japanese law should be applied to "Okinawa Prefecture." The platform called for withdrawal of all military

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bases from Japan, Okinawa and the Bonin Islands. The latter point was altered at the party's Central Committee meeting on April 10 (in order to facilitate the joint opposition election campaign in Okinawa) to call for "Removal of nuclear bases and opposition to military bases."

The DSP 1968 action policy, adopted at its convention on March 9, calls for return of Okinawa before 1970 without nuclear bases and without free use of existing US bases. The party favors placing US bases in Okinawa under the restrictions of the Security Treaty applicable to US bases in Japan ("Hondo-Nami" formula).

Komeito Okinawa policy calls for (1) "immediate and complete" reversion of Okinawan administrative rights to Japan "by 1970 at the latest," (2) "immediate removal" of all nuclear bases, missiles, etc., (3) "immediate removal" of the greater portion of US conventional bases, and (4) removal "within five years" after reversion of Okinawan administrative rights to Japan of the remaining "absolutely essential" conventional bases, such as those serving as supply transshipment or communication centers, which during the interim would come under the provisions of the Security Treaty. (Tokyo's A-329 of September 8, 1967). There was no change in this policy at April Komeito convention.

The latest JCP policy statement on Okinawa (November 2, 1967) calls flatly for "immediate, unconditional, complete" reversion without US bases.

The LDP has not taken an official party position on the specifics of Okinawa bases after reversion. Prime Minister Sato is of course also President of the LDP and his repeated assertions in Diet hearings that his position on the status of bases remains a "blank sheet" for practical purposes constitutes the LDP as well as the GOJ position. On the Japanese political scene at present it could only be damaging for the LDP to take a formal party position purporting to expand on the Johnson-Sato communique but less forthcoming than the essentials of the DSP and Komeito stands.

The nearest approach to an LDP position on the Okinawa base question appeared in the political statement issued May 10 by the LDP Special Committee on the Okinawa Problem (Embassy Airgram 1491). It merely called for "promoting thorough-going negotiations with the US, taking into account moves of public opinion and other factors." Sato's statement in the Diet May 16 suggesting a possible "temporary nuclear" status for bases after reversion (Embtel 8391) implies some movement beyond his "blank sheet of paper" stance; it appears to reflect current thinking within the top level of the LDP but is not in any sense a formal party position.

Statements by LDP politicians make it clear that there are divergent opinions within the party concerning treatment of the bases after reversion. LDP senior right winger Okinori KAYA in late January published a pamphlet arguing that the option of nuclear bases in Okinawa has been the key factor making possible the "Three NO" (no manufacture, no possession and no introduction of nuclear weapons) principles for Japan proper. He accordingly said extension of the mainland restrictions to the Okinawa bases after reversion must be "studied as a new question." Few LDP politicians would venture to push this thesis publicly, but a number of responsible figures in the party have privately indicated to

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the Embassy that it would be a mistake to rush to place the Okinawa bases under "Hondo-Nami" restrictions. On the other hand, the domestic political acceptability of any other arrangements is a source of deep concern for the LDP. Sources in the party generally voice little confidence about the prospects of obtaining popular support for the thesis that the advantages of early reversion would outweigh the disadvantages of exceptional treatment of the US bases in Okinawa. In these circumstances a substantial minority of LDP members appear inclined to press for early non-nuclear reversion in the expectation that the US would find some way of covering whatever gap in defense arrangements for Japan might result.

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SUBJ: ALLEGED FONOFF THINKING CONCERNING OKINAWA BASES

1. YOMIURI JUNE 21 CARRIES LENGTHY ARTICLE DESCRIBING ALLEGED GAIMUSHO CONCERN OVER PROBLEMS ARISING FROM "AUTOMATIC EXTENSION" POLICY FOR SECURITY TREATY AND HANDLING OF OKINAWA BASE QUESTION IN CONTEXT EXPECTATION OF SETTING REVISION DATE IN 1969. NO SPECIFIC SOURCES ARE CITED BUT ARTICLE SO WRITTEN AS TO CONVEY CLEAR IMPRESSION INFORMATION CAME FROM WORKING LEVEL OF FONOFF.

2. ARTICLE SAYS FONOFF BELIEVES "AUTOMATIC EXTENSION" MAY NOT SUCCEED IN AVOIDING CLASH WITH OPPOSITION PARTIES BECAUSE MODIFICATION OF EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONCERNING PRIOR CONSULTATION UNDER ARTICLE SIX OF SECURITY TREATY, OR OF SOFA, MAY BE NECESSARY IN CONNECTION HANDLING NUCLEAR QUESTION ON OKINAWA BASES. IT ASSERTS US EXPRESSING STRONG DISSATISFACTION WITH "MAINLAND LEVEL REVERSION" FROM VIEWPOINT THAT "GUARANTEES ARE NECESSARY THAT CALLS OF POLARIS SUBMARINES AND EMERGENCY DIRECT COMBAT OPERATIONS WILL NOT BE RESTRICTED IN OKINAWA." (QUOTES ARE YOMIURI'S.) IT CONTINUES THAT FONOFF DESIRES GO NO FURTHER THAN TACIT US-JAPAN UNDERSTANDING THAT IF PRIOR CONSULTATION LIMIT-

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ED TO OKINAWA IS REQUESTED JAPAN WILL DO ITS BEST TO AGREE.

3. ARTICLE SAYS FONOFF STUDYING THREE CASES OF HOW GOJ MIGHT HANDLE PRIOR CONSULTATION IN EVENT IT FINDS IT MUST AGREE TO MAKE INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS (I.E. "TEMPORARY NUCLEAR" PRESENCE) CONCERNING OKINAWA BASE IN ORDER TO ACCOMMODATE BOTH EARLY REVERSION AND FAR EAST SECURITY REQUIREMENTS. CASES ARE (1) PROMISING, IN AMENDMENT OF EXISTING NOTES CONCERNING PRIOR CONSULTATION, OR A NEW EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONCERNING SPECIAL CASE FOR OKINAWA, THAT JAPAN WILL DO UTMOST TO COMPLY WITH REQUEST FOR INTRODUCTION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS OR USE FOR DIRECT COMBAT OPERATIONS; (2) MAKING CLEAR IN AGREEMENT CONCERNING REVERSION OF OKINAWA THAT, FOR OKINAWA ONLY, SPECIAL DEGREE OF CONSIDERATION WILL BE GIVEN IN PRIOR CONSULTATION OR PRIOR CONSULTATION WILL NOT BE APPLIED; (3) REACHING TACIT UNDERSTANDING THAT IF THERE IS REQUEST FOR PRIOR CONSULTATION CONCERNING OKINAWA IT WILL RECEIVE "ADEQUATE CONSIDERATION," SINCE DIET ACQUIESCENCE WOULD BE NECESSARY IF PROMISE MADE IN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT.

4. ARTICLE FURTHER ASSERTS FONOFF WORKING LEVEL ATTEMPTING PERSUADE GOJ LEADERSHIP TO CHOOSE THIRD OF THESE MEASURES SINCE OTHER TWO, WHICH WOULD HAVE TO BE SUBMITTED TO DIET, LIKELY TO DRAW HEAVY OPPOSITION FIRE AND MAKE MAJOR CLASH OVER SECURITY ISSUE INEVITABLE. FONOFF ALSO SAID TO BE THINKING OF TAKING CLEAR STAND WITH REGARD TO PRIOR CONSULTATION THAT LATTER "NOT PREMISED ON DENYING SPIRIT OF SECURITY TREATY" AND GOJ POSITIVE RESPONSE TO PRIOR CONSULTATION COULD ALSO BE GIVEN WITH REGARD TO JAPAN PROPER. ARTICLE CONCLUDES THAT THERE IS STRONG TENDENCY TO EXPECT US TO REPLY THAT IT UNEASY WITH NOTHING MORE THAN "UNDERSTANDING" OR ORAL PROMISE AND TO PRESS FOR UNAMBIGUOUS EXPRESSION OF POSITION.

5. ARTICLE DOES NOT GIVE IMPRESSION OF GOJ TRIAL BALLOON AND ITS APPEARANCE AT THIS TIME IN ELECTION CAMPAIGN IS OBVIOUSLY NOT CALCULATED TO HELP SATO OR GOJ. IT HAS RING OF AUTHENTICITY AS POSSIBLE LEAK FROM WORKING LEVEL IN FONOFF OR OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY.

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SUBJ: OKINAWA: MAEO OPTS FOR REVISION WITHOUT NUCLEAR CAPABILITY

1. MORNING PRESS AUGUST 9 GAVE MODERATE PLAY TO REPORTS THAT LDP FACTION LEADER SHIGISABURO MAEO HAD TOLD HAKONE MEETING OF HIS FACTION'S YOUTH GROUP AUGUST 8 THAT REVISION OF OKINAWA SUBJECT PRESERVATION US NUCLEAR CAPABILITY WOULD NOT CONSTITUTE TRUE REVERSION. MAEO REPORTEDLY ADDED THAT EVEN IF REVERSION THEREBY DELAYED, PRINCIPLE OF REVERSION WITHOUT NUCLEAR WEAPONS SHOULD BE INSISTED UPON.

2. COMMENT: AS LEADER POWERFUL EX-IKEDA FACTION, MAEO IS ONE OF PRIMIN SATO'S PRINCIPAL RIVALS IN FALL LDP PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS. HIS POSITION THEREFORE IS OF GREAT INTEREST TO LDP AND PRESS, WHICH IS GIVING IT FULL PLAY. THERE IS ALSO CONSIDERABLE SPECULATION ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF HIS ATTEMPTING ALLY HIS FACTION WITH THAT OF FONMIN MIKI TO OPPOSE SATO REELECTION. STATEMENT ON OKINAWA REVERSION ISSUE (WHICH IS FIRST TO BE MADE BY LDP FACTIONAL LEADER WHICH DEVIATES FROM SATO LINE) MUST BE READ IN THIS CONTEXT. AT VERY LEAST, IT HAS TAKEN OKINAWAN BASES QUESTION OUT OF

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To : The Secretary
Through: S/S
From : INR - Thomas L. Hughes Thomas L. Hughes

Subject: The Okinawa Elections Increase Pressure for Reversion

INR/REA-34

This paper discusses the impact of the recent election in Okinawa of a new Chief Executive and legislature on the reversion of Okinawa to Japan.

ABSTRACT

In the first public election of their Chief Executive, a clear majority of the Okinawan electorate chose Chobyo YARA, president of the Okinawan Teachers Association and the candidate of an alliance of the three opposition parties, including the communist Okinawan People's Party. However, the Okinawa Liberal Democratic Party retained its two seat majority in the 32 seat legislature. The Okinawan electorate has shown its preference for, among other things, return to Japanese rule as soon as possible rather than for the LDP/OLDP course of concentrating on integration with Japan and leaving the reversion problem to be worked out sometime in the future between the United States and Japan. Yara's victory will have a psychological impact which is likely to be more important in Japan and particularly within the Liberal Democratic Party, than in Okinawa, where Yara's limited capacity for initiatives is not expected to affect the US military mission. It seems likely that Prime Minister Sato's rivals in the LDP will pressure him to press the US harder on reversion and to abandon his "blank sheet" policy on the status of US bases after reversion. In this context they may point to Yara's strong opposition to US "nuclear bases" as an expression of a popular consensus for a "non-nuclear reversion." By promising (after his talks with President Johnson in 1967) that a date for reversion could be

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If Embassy queried re Yomiuri article (reftel) suggest that in order to avoid any possible implication we are confirming existence nuclear installations on Okinawa, in addition to denial para 3 reftel, Embassy also utilize basic ~~policy~~ statement "it is U.S. policy neither to confirm nor deny the presence of nuclear weapons in any specific location."

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SUBJ: PRESS REPORTS US WILL MOVE OKINAWA NUKES TO CHEJU-DO

1. YOMIURI SHIMBUN HAS PRINTED SEVERAL STORIES IN PAST SEVERAL WEEKS TO EFFECT CONSIDERATION BEING GIVENTO MOVEMENT US NUCLEAR CAPABILITY ON OKINAWA TO CHEJU-DO. LATEST STORY (EVENING EDITION JUNE 17) SAYS KOREANS RAISED IDEA IN COURSE JAPANESE-KOREAN DIET MEMBERS MEETING RECENTLY HELD IN SEOUL. YOMIURI HAS SUGGESTED CONCEPT STARTED WITH ROK MILITARY BUT HAD NOT GAINED MUCH FAVOR WITH ROKG ITSELF. PAPER SAYS USGSDPPOSED TOMOVE, BUT YOMIURI COMMENTED THAT ITS IMPLEMENTATION WOULD EASE CONSIDERABLY RNTASK OF NEGOTIATING REVERSION OF OKINAWA SINCE IF AMERICANS COULD BE PERSUADED FIND SOMEWHERE ELSE PUT B-52'S, POLARIS SUBS, AN MACE B'S, WE PRESUMABLY WOULD AGREE TO SECURITY TREATY PROHIBITION OF NUKES AFTER REVERSION.

2. YOMIURI ADDSF QTE FOREIGN OFFICESOURCES UNQTE SAID SIMILAR PROPOSAL MADE TO GOJ BY ROK MILITARY AUTHORITIES QTE SOMETIME AGO UNQTE IS OPPOSED, AN PROPOSED QTE LEFT ALMOST UNCONSIDERED. UNQTE.

3. IF QUERIED, EMBASSY INTENDS DENY THAT USG HAS UNDER CONSIDERATION ANY MOVE OF MAJOR CAPABILITIES FROM OKINAWA TO CHEJU-DO.
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1. IN PRESS CONFERENCE AT FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS CLUB TODAY, OKINAWA GOVERNOR YARA NAMED B-52'S AND FEARS OF RADIOACTIVE CONTAMINATION FROM SSN VISITS AMONG MAIN FACTORS CURRENTLY STIMULATING OKINAWAN ANXIETIES RE U.S. MILITARY PRESENCE.

2. YARA SAID REPORTS OF COBALT-60 CONTAMINATED FISH CAUGHT IN NAHA HARBOR RENDERED FISHERMEN UNABLE TO SELL CATCHES AND EARN LIVELIHOOD. HE REPORTED RECEIVING PETITION FROM FISHERMEN TO STOP SSN CALLS AND SAID THAT BECAUSE GRI POWERLESS TO DEAL WITH USG, HE HAD ASKED GOJ TO TAKE ACTION. ROBERTS.

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SUBJ: JAPANESE REACTION B-52 CRASH IN OKINAWA

REFS: (A) TOKYO'S 13960 — DEF 17 US
(B) TOKYO'S 13967 — DEF 17 US

1. SUMMARY. CRASH OF B-52 IN OKINAWA NOVEMBER 19 HAS DRAWN WIDE MEDIA ATTENTION AND STATEMENTS RANGING FROM GOVERNMENT REQUEST FOR GREATER US CAUTION (REF A) TO SHARP CRITICISM BY OPPOSITION PARTIES OF B-52'S STATIONING IN OKINAWA AND DEMANDS FOR IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL. END SUMMARY.

2. GOVERNMENT REACTION TO B-52 CRASH HAS SOUGHT TO DOWN-PLAY ISSUE AND TO AVOID BEING FORCED INTO CORNER WHERE THEY APPEAR TO BE PROTESTING STATIONING OR CALLING FOR WITHDRAWAL. IN RESPONSE TO USP DIET COMMITTEE QUESTIONS, CHIEF CABINET SECRETARY KIMURA SAID US ASSURED GOJ IN FEBRUARY THAT STATIONING OF B-52'S IN OKINAWA WAS NOT PERMANENT AND THAT THE GOJ SEES NO REASON TO CALL THESE ASSURANCES INTO QUESTION. KIMURA ADDED THAT "MORE THAN PROTEST TO

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SUBJ: OKINAWA AND B-52'S

1. WASHINGTON DISPATCHES GIVEN SCATTERED FRONT-PAGE COVERAGE EVENING EDITIONS TOKYO PRESS JULY 17 REPORTED RELEASE HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE TESTIMONY RELATIVE SECDEF REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATIONS FOR PURPOSE STRENGTHENING KADENA RUNWAYS. STORIES SPECULATED REQUEST MEANS US PREPARING KEEP B-52'S IN OKINAWA PERMANENTLY. CHIEF CABINET SECRETARY KIMURA, WHEN QUESTIONED RE STORIES, SAID USG HAS STATED IT HAS NO INTENTION KEEP B-52'S IN OKINAWA PERMANENTLY AND THAT GOJ WOULD TAKE THIS COMMITMENT AT FACE VALUE.

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1. Have checked with Mort Halperin on Wakaizumi Okinawa base conference. Both of us fully agree with your views on undesirability participation by Government "observers".

2. We have following suggestions regarding possible ~~AMER~~ American participants in addition to those listed by Wakaizumi: Professor Robert Ward of Michigan, Robert Osgood, Alice Hsieh of RAND, Anthony Wiener of Hudson Institute (he has worked closely with Herman Kahn on Japan studies), James Crowley, Yale University, Mac Hoag (RAND analyst who has done considerable work on Okinawa), Henry Kissinger, Joe Yager (who now with IDA) and Dwight Perkins (economist presently in Japan). We also think Scalapino should be useful participant and possibly Frank Trager.

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1. KEI WAKAIZUMI, IN HIS CAPACITY AS MEMBER OF GOJ CONSULTATIVE GROUP REGARDING OKINAWA BASES PROBLEM, HAS BEEN COMMISSIONED TO SET UP CONFERENCE OF PRIVATE JAPANESE AND AMERICAN SPECIALISTS REGARDING OKINAWA. CONFERENCE IS TO TAKE PLACE LAST THREE OR FOUR DAYS OF NOVEMBER. WAKAIZUMI HAS ASKED ADVICE RE AMERICAN PARTICIPANTS, AS WELL AS RE QUESTION OF ATTENDANCE BY "OBSERVERS" FROM TWO GOVERNMENTS.

2. WITH REGARD TO PARTICIPATION BY GOVERNMENT "OBSERVERS", IT SEEMED OT BE WAKAIZUMI'S FEELING THAT THEY WOULD BE PLACED IN AWKWARD AND AMBIVALENT POSITION AT PROPOSED CONFERENCE, EVEN THOUGH IT WOULD SUPPOSEDLY BE OFF THE RECORD. I AMI INCLINED TO AGREE. WAKAIZUMI WAS AWARE THAT POLICY PLANNING TALKS WILL BE HELD PROBABLY EARLY DECEMBER, AND SAID THAT IT WOULD BE NICE TO HAVE HENRY OWEN, MORT HALPERIN AND YOU ATTENDING AS OBSERVERS, BUT HE ADMITTED IT WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE TO GIVE ANY GUARANTEES THAT WHAT WAS SAID WOULD REMAIN SECRET.

3. WAKAIZUMI PARTICULARLY WANTS SUGGESTIONS REGARDING AMERICAN PARTICIPANTS. SAID HE WOULD HOPE NOT REPEAT NOT TO EMPHASIZE "PRO-JAPANESE" PERSONS AND THUS IS NOT INCLINED TO INVITE REISCHAUER, SCALAPINO, LANGER, ET AL. HE WOULD PREFER TO INVITE PERSONS LIKE SHELLING, MCGEORGE BUNDY, GENERAL GAVIN, JAMES RESTON, GENERAL CARAWAY, ADMIRAL BURKE, WITH THE DELIBERATE INTENT OF INCLUDING A VARIETY OF SHADINGS OF OPINION REGARDING OKINAWA REVERSION. HE WOULDI NOT WISH TO INVITE CONGRESSMEN, SINCEI THIS WOULD

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SUBJ: OKINAWA: SATO CALLS "HOMELAND LEVEL" BASES UNREALISTIC

1. WE HAVE KYODO NEWS SERVICE REPORT FROM REPORTER TRAVELING WITH PRIMIN ON HUSTINGS IN CHIBA THAT SATO, IN JULY 5 SPEECH, CALLED IDEA OF OKINAWAN REVERSION WITH BASES SUBJECTED TO LIMITATIONS OF SECURITY TREATY "UNREALISTIC AND NEGLECT OF THE BASIC PROBLEM OF THE DEFENSE OF FREE ASIA AS A WHOLE" SATO FURTHER REPORTED AS SAYING KEY TO OKINAWA PROBLEM IS ESTABLISHMENT OF MUTUAL TRUST BETWEEN JAPAN AND US AND THEN HOLDING OF CANDID DISCUSSIONS WITH UFYON MATTER OF BASES.

2. COMMENT. SATO MAY HAVE HAD SURGE OF OPTIMISM ABOUT LDP'S PROSPECTS IN JULY 7 ELECTION AND THOUGHT IT GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO GET ON RECORD A STRONG STATEMENT RE TREATMENT OKINAWA BASES FOR WHICH HE MIGHT LATER CLAIM TO HAVE RECEIVED POPULAR MANDATE. WHATEVER THE REASON, IT IS A GOOD STATEMENT.

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SUBJ: B-52S ON OKINAWA
1. B-52S MADE NEWS AFTERNOON 1 JULY BY ABSENCE FROM KADENA; PICTURE IN OKINAWA TIMES SHOWED VACANT AREA WHERE B-52S PREVIOUSLY PARKED WITH STORY REPORTING ONLY ONE REMAINING OF USUAL COVEY OF 18. ALSO REPORTED USUAL KC-135 COVEY OF MORE THAT 45 ALL DISAPPEARED EXCEPT FOR ONE. SPECULATED ALL EITHER SEEKING SAFE

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HAVEN ELSEWHERE FROM TYPHOON LUCY OR PARTICIPATING IN VIET-NAM WAR SHIMPO NOTHING.
2. MORNING EDITION OF RYUKYU SHIMPO REPORTED 313TH AD OFFICIALLY HAD "NO COMMENT" BUT UNOFFICIALLY INDICATED PLANES HAD TAKEN REFUGE AT ANOTHER BASE (UNIDENTIFIED) FROM TYPHOON. TIMES NOTHING.
3. IO OF 313H AD WAS QUERIED BY PRESS ON MORNING 1 JULY AND REPORTEDLY STATED" NO COMMENT" BUT ADDED "YOU KNOW THERE IS TYPHOON IN AREA." ASKED IF THERE ANY CONNECTION WITH REPORTED FORCED LANDING OF A US DC-8 ON RUSSIAN-OCCUPIED ISLAND OF ITURUP, ALLEGEDLY SAID "JUST A COINCIDENCE HAPPENED ON SAME DAY. 3
4. SHIMPO AFTERNOON 2 JULY REPORTED PLANES HAVE NOT RETURNED TO KADENA AND RESIDENTS RELIEVED AT NOISE ABATEMENT EVEN THOUGH IT MAY BE ONLY TEMPORARY.

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(C) REFERENCE B REFUTES CONTENTS OF RYUKYU "SHIMPO" NEWS STORY OF 23 JUNE CITED IN REFERENCE A. QUOTE CONCERNING B-52 OPERATIONS ATTRIBUTED TO LT. GEN. HUTCHENS IS ERRONEOUS. PA POLICY REMAINS AS PREVIOUSLY STATED. REFERENCE C. GP-4.

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SUBJ: KADENA AIR BASE WELL POLLUTION (U)
1. (C) POLLUTION OF WELLS BY JET FUEL RUN-OFF FROM KADENA AIR BASE REMAINS POTENTIALLY TROUBLESOME. FOR ABOUT THREE MONTHS, HOWEVER, IT HAS LAIN DORMANT BECAUSE PUBLIC ATTENTION HAS BEEN FOCUSED ON B-52S, TAXI SCANDAL, ETC. THERE ARE SIGNS THAT THIS ISSUE MAY BE EMERGING FROM HIBERNATION. EXAMPLE: 26 JUNE QUERY FY KADENA-SON MAYOR OKUMA TO MILITARY RELATED PROBLEMS COMMITTEE OF GRI LEGISLATURE ASKING WHAT ACTION BEING

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TAKEN TO SETTLE MATTER.
2 (C) GAP BETWEEN FOREIGN CLAIMS COMMISSION OFFER ($5,378.79) AND CLAIMANTS DEMAND ($126,804.31) REMAINS, BUT MAY BE MISLEADING. LOCALLY DEVELOPED INTELLIGNECE REPORT, NOW SEVERAL MONTHS OLD, INDICATED THAT PROBLEM COULD HAVE BEEN SETTLED AS DISCUSSED DURING SNEIDER-SIENA VISIT? WE FEEL THAT WITH FIRM ASSURANCE OF WORKING FUND UP TO ABOUT $50,000 WE MIGHT HAVE REASONABLE CHANCE AT THIS JUNCTURE OF REACHING CASH-ON-BARREL "POLITICAL" SETTLEMENT THROUGH MURAYAMA OR OTHER FRIENDLY KADENA OFFICIALS. IF SO, WE WOULD DEVELOP SCENARIO SO THAT OLDP HOPEFUL MURAYAMA MIGHT PROFIT IN HIS BID TO UNSEAT OSMP GRI LEGISLATOR CHIBANA. MURAYAMA, ACTING FROM HIS POST AS CHAIRMAN OF KADENA-SON ASSEMBLY, WOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO BEGIN CLAMORING FOR SETTLEMENT WHICH WE WOULD THEN TIME FOR HIS MAXIMUM POLITICAL BENEFIT.
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1. (C) THE RYUKYU SHIMPO ON 23 JUNE 68 REPORTED THAT
THE CHIEF OB STAFF OF U S PACIFIC FORCES STATED

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OKINAWA'S B-52S ARE PARTICIPATING IN VIETNAM WAR.
ACCORDING TO THIS STORY GROUP OF OKINAWAN REPORTERS
IN HAWAII CALLED ON CINCPAC HQTRS ON AFTERNOON
OF 20TH (HAWAII TIME) AND RECEIVED ORIENTATION ON
THE PACIFIC FLEET'S ORGANIZATION, SCALE, AND VIETNAM
SITUATION. IN QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION
FOLLOWING ORIENTATION, LTG TUTCHINS, CHIEF OF
STAFF, WAS QUERIED: "ARE F-52S FROM KADENA PARTICIPATING
IN VIETNAM WAR ON DAILY OR INTERMITTENT BASIS?" HE
REPORTEDLY REPLIED: "B-52S STATIONED IN KADENA ARE
PARTICIPATING IN VIETNAM WAR, HOWEVER THEY ARE NOT
MAKING A SORTIE EVERY DAY." STORY CONCLUDES THAT
THIS IS FIRST TIME A HIGH RANKING U. S. MILITARY

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OFFICER HAD ADMITTED THAT KADENA B-52S ARE PARTICIPATING IN VIET NAM WAR.

2. (C) WIRE SERVICE STORY REPORTED EARLIER (REF A) HAD ALREADY SERVED TO REVIVE F-52 DEBATE IN GRI LEGISLATURE'S MILITARY AFFAIRS SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON 19 JUNE. FRONT PAGE HEADLINES ON 20 JUNE FEATURED CHARGE BY OPPOSITION (OSMP) COMMITTEE MEMBER CHIBANA:

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"PERMANENT STATIONING OF B-52S HAS EVEN BEEN MENTIONED IN (PRESS) REPORT FROM WASHINGTON AND IT US A CKEAR-CUT FACT." CHIBANA THEN STATED THAT PM SATO HAS ARGUED THAT B-52S ON OKINAWA NOT PERMANENT; THAT IF THEY BECAME PERMANENT, GOJ WOULD REQUEST REMOVAL. CHIBANA CONCLUDED: SINCE NOW CLEAR THAT B-52 STATIONING PERMANENT, GRI LEGISLATURE SHOULD NOW SEND RESOLUTION TO GOJ REQUESTING GOJ ASK USG REMOVE B-52S.

3. (C) OLDP COMMITTEEMAN SHOCHI OTA STATED THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO TAKE PROPOSAL BACK FOR DELIBERATION IN AN OLDP LEGISLATURE'S GENERAL MEETING. NO ACTION EXPECTED ON THIS BEFOR 25 JUN AS MON 24TH WAS GRI HOLIDAY.

4. (C) IN VIEW OF CHIBANA'S ARGUMENT AND THESE TWO RECENT PRESS STORIES, IT MAY AGAIN BECOME NECESSARY FOR USCAR OFFICIALS TO MEET WITH GRI REPRESENTATIVES ON B52S. WE WILL REITERATE OFFICIAL POLICY CONCERNING F-52S; I.E. NO COMMENT ON OPERATIONAL READINESS OR DEPLOYMENT OF AIRCRAFT.

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5. (C) OLDP LEADERSHIP HERE HAS BEEN ABLE TO CONTAIN OPPOSITION PRESSURE FOR CONTINUED RESOLUTIONS AND PROTESTS TO USG AND GOJ ON GROUNDS THAT IT IS ONLY SPECULATIVE THAT B-52S HAVE BEEN FLYING FROM HERE DIRECT TO VIETNAM FOR STRIKES. NEWS STORIES SUCH AS THOSE CITED HAVE EFFECT OF KICKING PROP FROM BENEATH THIS SHAKY FUT THUS FAR DEFENSIBLE ARGUMENT. GP-3.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L
SECDEF FOR ASD/PA
B52 QUERY
A. HICOMRY OKINAWA RYIS HC-LN 817708/250225Z JUN 68
1. THE FOLLOWING IS IN ELABORATION OF REF A.
2. COFS, CINCPAC, MET INFORMALLY WITH SIX OKINAWAN RE-

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PORTERS ON 20 JUN FOLLOWING AN UNCLASSIFIED BRIEFING ON PACOM. DISCUSSIONS WERE PARTLY IN ENGLISH AND PARTLY THROUGH AN INTERPRETER IN JAPANESE. PRESENT IN ADDITION TO JOURNALISTS AND COFS WERE TWO CINCPAC PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICERS AND A U.S. ENLISTED MARINE INTERPRETER.
3. DURING THE PACOM BRIEFING, TONOYOSHI TSUKUYAMA ASKED BRIEFING OFFICER IF B52'S FROM KADENA WERE FLYING MISSIONS IN SUPPORT OF VIETNAM OPERATIONS. COL UNDERWOOD, ACTING PAO AND HOST OF BRIEFING, RESPONDED SUBSTANTIALLY AS FOLLOWS: "AS YOU NO DOUBT ARE AWARE FROM YOUR EXPERIENCE IN OKINAWA, WE DO NOT COMMENT ON OPERATIONAL MATTERS SUCH AS THIS."
4. AFTER BRIEFING, COFS WAS ALSO ASKED QUESTIONS CON-

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CERNING B52'S BY TSUKUYAMA. COL UNDERWOOD WAS ONE OF THE TWO INFORMATION OFFICERS WITH COFS DURING MEETING WITH REPORTERS. QUESTION IN ENGLISH WAS AS FOLLOWS: "ARE B52'S PARTICIPATING IN THE VIETNAM WAR ON A DAILY BASIS " THERE WAS NO USE OF WORD "INTERMITTENT". COFS RESPONSE WAS SUBSTANTIALLY: "I DO NOT KNOW OF B52'S FROM KADENA FLYING SORTIES TO SVN EVERYDAY." NO SPECIAL INTEREST WAS EVINCED

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IN ANSWER AS REPORTERS APPEARED TO UNDERSTAND NOTHING MORE TO BE SAID IN VIEW OF THE ANSWER ALREADY GIVEN DURING THE BRIEFING ITSELF. GP-4

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C O N F I D E N T IIA L HC-LN 816605 FOR DCSOPS
DICA 373 STATE FOR SNEIDER
SUBJ: B-52S
1. (C) ON 13 JUN BOTH TIMES AND SHIMPO PROMINENTLY CARRIED AP/KYODO BACKGROUND STORY (ATTRIBUTED TO "WELL-INFORMED QUARTERS), REPORTING DOD DECISION TO USE B-52S STATIONED KADENA IN VIETNAM RAIDS. ACCORDING

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THIS REPORT, B-52S WERE TRANSFERRED HERE FROM MONTANA DURING KOREAN CRISIS AND, AFTER THEIR DEPLOYMENT HERE, DOD DECIDED TO ASSIGN THESE B-52S VIETNAM MISSIONS. SOURCE OF THIS STORY MAY POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN LEAK TO THE PRESS FROM CLOSED DOOR HOUSE BUDGET SUB-COMMITTTEE TESTIMONY BY DEPUTY DEFENSE SECRETARY NITZE. IN ANY EVENT, OPPOSITION HERE IS PALYING THIS AS FIRST OFFICIAL" CONFIRMATION" THAT OKINAWA B-52S RAIDING VIETNAM DIRECTLY FROM KADENA AIR BASE.
2. (C) WHEN STORY BROKE, OPPOSITION LEGISLATORS SAKIHAMA (OSMP), FURUGEN (OPP), AND KUDAKA (IND/ OPPOSITION INCLINED) IMMEDIATELY DEMANDED THAT

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LEGISLATURE SPECIAL MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
OHAMA (OLDP) REOPEN DEBATE ON B-52 PROBLEM.
3. (C) ENGLISH VERSION OF TROUBLESOME STORY NOT
AVAILABLE HERE: WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING SOONEST.
ANY ACTION IN WASHINGTON ASAP TO REMOVE CONFIRMATORY
EFFECT OF ANY SUCH LEAK WOULD BE EXTREMELY HELPFUL.
OTHERWISE OPPOSITION WILL HAVE COGENT AND

PAGE 3 RUAOBQA37 9 C O N F I D E N T I A L
CREDIBLE GROUNDS FOR REOPENING ENTIRE QUESTION. TO
HEAD OFF ANY REVITALIZED ANTI-B-52 CAMPAIGN
URGE ALL FEASIBLE EFFORTS TO NEUTRALIZE THE EFFECTS
OF THIS STORY. GP-3

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C O N F I D E N T I A L DA868337 FROM DCSOPS/IA EG583
SUBJ: B-52'S
REF: A. HC-LN 816605, 14 JUN; B. TOKYO 9215, 13 JUN;
C. STATE 182947, 13 JUN
THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN OFFICIAL USG PUBLIC AFFAIRS POLICY CONCERNING ACTIVITIES OF KADENA B-52'S. BACKGROUND STORY ATTRIBUTED TO "WELL-INFORMED QUARTERS" (PARA 1 REF A) CANNOT BE CONSIDERED COGENT OR CREDIBLE GROUNDS FOR CONSIDERING CONTENTS OF STORY AS "OFFICIAL CONFIRMATION". THEREFORE, SUGGEST YOU ADVISE OHAMA AND NEWS MEDIA THAT OFFICIAL US POLICY CONCERNING B-52'S REMAINS UNCHANGED. WE DO NOT COMENT ON OPERATIONAL READINESS OR DEPLOYMENT OF AIRCRAFT.
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OKINAWA B-52S AND FY68 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET HEARINGS (U)
A. HICOMRY 816202/100447Z JUN 68
1. REF A FORWARDED A PROPOSED OPENING STATEMENT BY HICOMRY TO THE FORTHCOMING SENATE APPOPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE HEARINGS ON FY 68 AREA SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET.
2. THE ISSUE OF B-52S ON OKINAWA IS BELABORED EXCESSIVELY IN REF A. IT IS AMBIVALENT AS TO THE POSITION THE US SHOULD ADOPT ON B-52 OPERATIONS FROM OKINAWA. THIS PORTION OF THE OF-

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THE RECORD TEXT SEEMS TO ARGUE THAT POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS WARRANT THE ACCEPTANCE OF RESTRICTION OR REMOVAL OF B-52 OPERATIONS FROM OKINAWA BASES.
3. THE VALUE OF OKINAWA TO THE US AND ITS ALLIES RESTS ON OUR FREE AND UNRESTRICTED USE OF THESE FACILITIES FOR B-52 AND OTHER FORCES IN THE GENERAL DEFENSE OF THE PACIFIC AREA AND IN PURSUANCE OF OUR STRATEGY. ANY ACCEPTANCE OF RESTRICTED USE OF OKINAWA BASES DIMINISHES THE ISLAND'S VALUE. IT IMPACTS DIRECTLY ON THE ABILITY OF US FORCES TO CARRY OUT OUR MISSION TO DETER THE ENEMY IN THE ASIAN-PACIFIC AREA AND TO REACT PROMPTLY AND EFFECTIVELY IF ATTACKED.
ANY ACCEPTANCE OF RESTRICTED USE ENCOURAGES FURTHER EFFRTS

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4. STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT PARA 1K OF REF A BE RECASTTO REFLECT CONSIDERATIONS ADDUCED IN PARAS 2 AND 3 ABOVE. GP-4

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R 130900Z JUN 68
FM AMEMBASSY TOKYO
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 898
INFO HICOMRY
USFJ

C O N F I D E N T I A L TOKYO 9215

SUBJECT: B-52'S IN OKINAWA

1. MORNING ASAHI JUNE 13 ARTICLE DATELINED WASHINGTON QUOTED AUTHORITATIVE SOURCES AS SAYING THAT B-52 SQUADRON TRANSFERRED TO OKINAWA AT TIME PUEBLO INCIDENT NOW MAKING REGULAR BOMBING RUNS ON VIETNAM. TOGO, DIRECTOR NORTH AMERICAN BUREAU, FONOFF, ASKED CHARGE IF GOJ COULD BE INFORMED OF ANY CONTEMPLATED PUBLIC RELEASE CONCERNING B-52 RAIDS FROM OKINAWA.

2. IF AUTHORITATIVE SOURCES DID IN FACT PASS SUCH INFO TO PRESS, REQUEST EMBASSY TOKYO BE ADVISED WITH PERMISSION PASS INFO ON TO TOGO.

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SUBJ: Civilian Leave Travel to Bangkok

1. Department has received letter from J. F. Griner, National President of American Federation of Government Employees (AFGE), stating that AFGE Lodge 1678, composed of civilian employees of U.S. armed forces on Okinawa, wants to extend its recreational leave program to include Bangkok. According to Griner, Army authorities in Okinawa concur but Embassy Bangkok has disapproved proposal. Griner argues that since ordinary tourists have complete freedom to visit Bangkok, members of his organization should have same rights.

2. In order have some idea of numbers involved, we are asking Griner for estimate of how many travellers his organization would contemplete sending to Bangkok each month. Pending his reply, would appreciate any information you may have on this matter and any particular grounds you have for opposing AFGE leave program other than general desire to minimize American presence in Thailand.

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UNCLAS E F T O FOUO HC-PAD 815807 DA FOR SIENA, DUSA (IA) AND FOR DCSOPS DICA 353 STATE FOR SNEIDER.
SUBJ: JET FUEL PIPELINE LEAK AT KADENA AIR BASE
1. REFERENCE: HC-LN 801801 DTD 18 JAN 68.
2. SINCE REFERENCE MSG, FOLLOWING IS CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS TO DATE:
   A. FOREIGN CLAIMS COMMISSION NO. AF-25, FUCHU, JAPAN COMMENCED REVIEW OF 32 CLAIMS ON 13 FEB 68 INVOLVING 16 WELLS IN YARA VILLAGE, THREE OF WHICH WERE COMMUNITY WELLS AND TWO NEARBY CREEKS. INDIVIDUAL CLAIMS RANGED FROM A LOW OF $503.42 TO A HIGH OF $9,658.23. THREE CLAIMS RELATING TO THE COMMUNITY WELLS AND TWO CLAIMS RELATING TO CREEKS WERE DISAPPROVED. ONE OTHER CLAIM--THAT OF A ROOMER OF A WELL OWNER ALSO DISAPPROVED.

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26 CLAIMS WERE APPROVED.
   B. FCC CONCLUDED THAT CONTAMINANTS FOUND IN THE WELLS CAME FROM KADENA AIR BASE, POLLUTION WOULD EXIST INDEFINITELY; THUS, AWARDS FOR PERMANENT DAMAGES WOULD BE MADE. FCC ALSO TOOK NOTE OF A $2,000 AIR FORCE PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE DONATION PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR KADENA-SON TO CONNECT A WATER SYSTEM TO WELL OWNERS AFFECTED.
   C. TOTAL CLAIMS APPROVED BY FCC AMOUNTED TO $5,378.79 RANGING FROM $25 TO $568..ON 6 MAR 68, FCC MET WITH CLAIMANTS. FIRST CLAIMANT SIGNED AGREEMENT AND ACCEPTED HIS CHECK IN AMOUNT OF $547.01
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ALL REMAINING CLAIMANTS REFUSED OFFERS. LATER THE FIRST CLAIMANT TRI
ED
TO RETURN HIS CHECK BUT WAS TOLD FCC COULD NOT ACCEPT IT. CHECK

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APPARENTLY NOT YET CASHED.
D. ON 7 MARCH 68 DEPUTY MAYOR SAID HE COULD NOT UNDERSTAND VARIANCE IN AMOUNT AWARDED AND AMOUNT CLAIMED. FCC EXPLAINED IT WAS OBLIGED TO APPLY LEGAL TESTS FOR DAMAGES AND THAT FUTURE WATER BILLS, AS CLAIMED, DID NOT CONSTITUTE LEGAL TESTS. MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR ASKED ABOUT RIGHTS OF CLAIMANTS TO RECONSIDERATION. FCC SAID ANY REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION WOULD RECEIVE OBJECTIVE REVIEW, BUT NO ENCOURAGEMENT COULD BE OFFERED.
E. MEANWHILE CLAIMANTS FORMED "ASSOCIATION FOR ACQUISITION FOR

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FAIR COMPENSATION FOR POLLUTED WELLS." GROUP CALLED ON GRI EXECUTIVE BRANCH AND LEGISLATURE ON 8 MARCH REQUESTING GRI SUPPORT IN SECURING PROPER MEASURES THROUGH HICOM.
F. O/A MID-APRIL, 313 AIR DEFENSE JUDGE ADVOCATE CALLED ON MAYOR AND OFFERED TO PUMP OUT THE WELLS. SAME OFFER WAS REPEATED O/A 20 MAY. BOTH TIMES MAYOR REFUSED OFFER. NOTE: IT IS BELIEVED REFUSAL BASED ON FEAR PUMP-OUT MIGHT EVENTUALLY RESULT IN WELLS BECOMING UNCONTAMINATED.
G. 313 AD JUDGE ADVOCATE ON 6 JUNE TOLD USCAR HE IS AWAITING A LETTER FROM FCC RESPONDING TO KADENA-SON REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION.
JA STATED HE DID NOT KNOW CONTENTS OF FCC LETTER.
NO INFORMATION RE CONTENT AVAILABLE HERE YET. WILL ADVISE

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JOHN F. GRINER, NATIONAL PRESIDENT — ESTHER F. JOHNSON, NATIONAL SEC.-TREAS.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

400 FIFTH STREET, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20001

IN REPLY PLEASE REFER TO: S

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ACTION is assigned to EA

June 3, 1968

Honorable Dean Rusk
Secretary of State
Department of State
2201 C Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Our Lodge 1678, composed of United States citizen employees of the Army, Navy and Air Force, located in Okinawa, desires that the Isolated Leave Program for them be extended to Bangkok, Thailand. This Program is a plan to allow eligible active military members and civilian employees of the military in Okinawa recreational leave travel in various overseas areas.

Army authorities in Okinawa concur that travel to Bangkok should be included in this Program. However, we have learned that the Ambassador to Thailand has disapproved the inclusion of Bangkok as part of this Program.

Bangkok is considered a highly desirable leave area. Ordinary tourists have complete freedom to visit there. Therefore, I recommend that permission be granted for including Bangkok for travel under this Leave Program.

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Sincerely yours,

J. F. Griner
National President

cc: Mr. William Bundy
Ass't. Secretary of the
Bureau of East Asia and
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June 11, 1968

Mr. J. F. Griner
National President
American Federation of
Government Employees
400 First Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20001

Dear Mr. Griner:

I have received for reply your letter of June 3, 1968 to the Secretary, proposing that members of Lodge 1678 of your organization be authorized to include Bangkok in their Isolated Leave Program.

There are over 45,000 United States troops in Thailand now, most of them stationed there in connection with the Vietnam war, as well as a substantial number of civilian Government employees and other American residents. In addition, several thousand military personnel visit Bangkok each month on recreational leave from Vietnam, and as you note in your letter, American tourists are free to visit Thailand also. Although the great majority of Americans in Thailand conduct themselves with due regard to the laws and sensitivities of their host nation, the very dimensions of the American presence and its dramatic rate of growth in recent years has caused problems in a country whose culture, traditions, and ethnic composition are all profoundly different from ours. For this reason, our Embassy, in co-operation with United States military authorities, has sought to control nonessential visits

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to the area by American government personnel and to minimize the conspicuousness of the large United States Government establishment in Thailand. Presumably it is in this context that the Ambassador objected to the inclusion of Bangkok in your leave program.

I have telegraphed our Embassy in Bangkok for its specific views on this matter and any pertinent information it can add. In order that we may have some idea of the numbers of people involved, I should appreciate your letting me know about how many members of your Okinawa Lodge would contemplate travelling to Bangkok on leave in any one month.

Sincerely yours,

Moncrieff J. Spear
Country Director
for Thailand

cc: S/S
cc: EA/P Lewis

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TO: EA - Mr. Blackburn

DATE: 6/6/68

SUBJECT: Ltr to S from GRINER dtd 6/3/68 re that Isolated Leave Program for US citizen employees in Okinawa be extended to Bangkok, Thailand.

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- XXX For direct reply. Comeback copy required _____.
- Prepare reply. A response for signature by the _____. Clear with _____.
- Prepare o _____ to _____.
- Refer to White House request of _____.
- Due in S/S by _____.
- For your information.

REMARKS

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S - Mr. Shlaudeman (w/ltr)

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SUBJ: B-52S
REF: A. HC-LN 814404
1. (C) LOCAL PRESS FEATURING SCHEDULED5 JUNE ANTI-B-52 DEMONSTRATION AS PRELUDE TO FORTHCOMING 14TH ANTI-A & H BOMB WORLD CONFERENCE, PLANNED FOR NAHA IN AUGUST. THIS

PAGE 2 RUADBQA3095 C O N F I D E N T I A L
OPP-GENSUIKYD ACTIONS JUNE WILL CONSIST OF MARCHES FROM VARIOUS POINTS TO CONVERGE ON KADENA AND WILL CENTER ON DEMANDING REMOVAL OF B-52. WHILE NOT EXPECTED TO DRAW LARGE CROWDS OR TRIGGER INCIDENTS, THIS DEMONSTRATION EFFORT IS ALMOST CERTAIN TO GET HEAVY PRESS COVERAGE AND MAY MARK END OF TEMPORARY RESPITE FROM ANTI-B-52 CAMPAING NOTED RECENTLY (REFTEL).
2. (C) B-52S RECEIVED ATTENTION ON 31 MAY DURING LEGISLATIVE JOINT BUDGET SCREENING COMMITTEE HEARINGS AND IN JOINT OPPOSITION COALITION MEETING SAME DATE. IN LEGISLATURE, OSMPR-52 EXPERT CHIBANA AGAIN THREW B-52 GAUNTLET BEFORE GOVERNMENT AND DEMANDED TO KNOW WHAT CONSERVATIVE LEADERSHIP WAS DOING TO GET PLANES REMOVED.

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SIENA DUSA (IA). CINCUSARPAC FOR G-5. SECTION 1 OF 2.
SUBJ: FORTHCOMING SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE HEARINGS ON FY 68 ARIA SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET (U)
1. (S) IN REFERENCE SUBJECT HEARINGS FOLLOWING IS MY PROPOSED OPENING STATEMENT:
A. "I AM PRIVILEGED TO APPEAR BEFORE THIS COMMITTEE IN SUPPORT OF OUR FY 68 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET REQUEST OF $5.5 MILLION. THIS BUDGET REQUEST I CONSIDER MOST VITAL TO THE INTEREST OF THE UNITED STATES IN OKINAWA AND JAPAN. BECAUSE OF THE GREAT SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET TO OUR POSITION IN THE RYUKYUS, I REQUESTED THAT I BE ALLOWED TO APPEAR BEFORE YOU TO PRESENT OUR CASE.

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B. "I FULLY UNDERSTAND THE REASONS BEHIND THE EFFORTS OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE CONGRESS TO ECONOMIZE IN EVERY WAY POSSIBLE. HOWEVER, THE BUDGETARY NEEDS OF THE RYUKYUAN GOVERNMENT AND THE RYUKUAN PEOPLE ARE SUCH THAT I SINCERELY BELIEVE THAT THE UNITED STATES SHOULD INCREASE ITS AID TO THE FULL $17.5 MILLION AUTHORIZATION AT THIS TIME.
THE INCREASED AID IS NEEDED TO ASSIST US IN OUR COOPERATIVE EFFORTS WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN TO CLOASE THE GA

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S E C R E T SPECAT EXDIS
HC-LN 814814. DA FOR DUSA SIENA.
STATE FOR SNEIDER.
SUBJ: RYUKYU ELECTIONS
REF: A. STATE 170651: B. TOKYO 8630
WE SUGGEST FOLLOWING ADDITIONS TO SIENA/SNEIDER DRAFT (COMMENTS/SUGGEST KEYED TO REFTEL A.):
1. "CONCLUSIONS"3: AFTER "MAJOR BASE ISSUES", ADD: "INCLUDING THE WIDE SPECTRUM OF PROBLEMS STEMMING FROM U.S. LEASE OF RYUKYUAN LAND."
2. "RECOMMENDATIONS"1B: RE U.S."....ACTIONS DIRECLED

PAGE 2 RUEADCR 2920 S E C R E T SPECAT EXDIS
AT IMPROVING THE WELFARE OF THE RYUKYUANS,..."
LANGUAGE TOO GENERAL: SHOULD BE MORE SPECIFIC,
E.G., IN ADDITION TO POSSIBLE ADCOM"BREAD AND BUTTER",
SOCIAL WELFARE, ETC BENEFITS IS PRESENT LANGUAGE MEANT
TO INCLUDE DIRECT U.S. AID, SUCH AS $5.5 MILLION
SUPPLEMENTAL?
3. UNDER "SPECIFIC ACTIONS", INSERT NEW PARA2.E
(MAKING 2.F OUT OF PRESENT PARA 2.E) AS FOLLOWS: "2.E
CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN METRICULOUS CONTROL OVER MILITARY
LAND HOLDINGS AVOIDING ANY INCIDENT OR BASIS FOR NEW
GRIEVANCE. THIS WOULD INCLUDE CIRCUMSPECTION IN ANY
A) LAND ACQUISITION, B) TERMINATION OF RYUKYUAN LICENSED
USE OF U.S.-LEASED LAND, C) ESTABLISHING REALISTIC LAND

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Intelligence Note - 266

April 12, 1968

To : The Acting Secretary
Through: S/S
From : INR - Thomas L. Hughes

Subject: Conservative Control of Okinawa Government in Jeopardy

The prospects for the Okinawa Liberal Democratic Party (OLDP) to retain control of the Ryukyus Legislature and the executive of the Government of the Ryukyus (GRI) in the November 1968 elections are in serious doubt. The OLDP has lost much of its political potency over the past year, while general Okinawan dissatisfaction with progress toward reversion has helped to solidify the opposition. The US deployment of B-52 strategic bombers to Kadena airbase in February 1968 has been used by the opposition with increasingly damaging effect upon the OLDP position. Should the opposition win control of the GRI, especially on an anti-US platform, the operation of US bases and US-Japanese negotiations on reversion could be seriously affected.

Conservatives Losing Political Potency. The OLDP's majority in the Ryukyus Legislature has been gradually shrinking over recent years and it now holds only 18 out of 32 seats. Last year the party's declining political power and ability were demonstrated in a major confrontation with the opposition over two bills intended to inhibit the political activity of Okinawan teachers. In February 1967 large scale demonstrations and highly unparliamentary obstructionist tactics on the part of the opposition prevented the OLDP from pushing the bills through the Legislature, despite its numerical majority; after months of impasse, it was decided that the bills were more of a liability than an asset, and they were shelved in November. Because of its close

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